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Questions and Answers #3 to Request for Proposals (RFP) Maryland Technical Architecture Framework (MTAF) Project No. F10R4200135

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Received the following question by e-mail which is answered for all offerors to the referenced RFP, below:

Question: Refer RFP Section 3.4.10: This task is to define the technical standards for the additional service areas. Can the State tell us what they think their total service areas might be? We understand that the total service areas for the State would be confirmed during Task 3.4.7. However, we are looking for some guidelines to help us with our level-of-effort estimates.

Answer: The definition of the service areas will be completed by the selected Contractor in Section 3.4.4 with the development of the Technical Reference Model. In order to determine the level of effort for completing the requirements outlined in Section 3.4.10, the Offeror should look at examples of other Technical Reference Models developed at the State or Federal level and determine if these would be of similar complexity. Some examples can be found in Attachment G; however, the Offeror may have knowledge of other models that may be equally appropriate. The Offeror may include an explanation of the benchmark chosen in their technical response to the requirements of Section 3.4.10. In addition, the Offeror should draw upon past experience to make level-of-effort estimates.

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By <signed>
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